

## EARL RUSSELL ON THE STAND.

Called in His Own Defense in the Countess's Divorce Suit.

Prof. Roberts Tells of the Plaintiff as a Delightful Hostess.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)  
LONDON, Dec. 2.—The interest in the Russell separation case shows not the least sign of abatement. On the contrary, it may be said that on this, the third day of the proceedings, the general public displays more anxiety to learn all the details of this sad exposure of the life of one of Great Britain's peers.

The feeling entertained for Earl Russell by the masses was amply evidenced by his treatment as he left the Law Courts yesterday, when he was mobbed at the door, and some of the more headstrong tried to strike him. And there is no denying the fact that the gentlemen and ladies in the aristocratic circle to which the Earl belongs look with contempt and disgust upon the noble Earl.

The usual crowd of admirers to the court-room this morning, and when Mr. Justice Brett took his seat the court-room was densely packed.

Sir Charles Russell arose and continued his presentation of the case for the Earl.

Sir Charles declared that the petitioner, Countess Russell, had not only exaggerated such facts as she had brought forward, but had suppressed others which she thought would be detrimental to her claims.

Sir Charles ridiculed the idea that Earl Russell had kept a mistress connected with the purpose of shooting his wife. The quarrel between the Earl and Countess, which occurred at the Albemarle Hotel at the time they came up to London to attend the levee, was due, not to the Earl's compelling the Countess to act as a valet to him, as the Countess had testified, but to the fact that the Earl had refused to allow his wife to go to the levee.

Immediately upon the conclusion of Sir Charles Russell's address he called the first witness for the defense, Prof. Roberts, the mathematical master at Rugby, who was the habit of staying frequently at the residence of Earl Russell.

Prof. Roberts entered the witness-box, and in reply to questions put to him by Sir Charles Russell testified that he was friendly with the Earl at College. He afterwards became acquainted with the Countess.

After the marriage of the Earl and Lady Mabel Scott, he visited them at their home. He had sung with the Countess and had thought her a charming hostess. The witness made a very emphatic denial of the actions imputed to him by the Countess in relation to the Earl.

Mr. Underwood, of counsel for the Countess, here asked to be allowed to put in evidence letters that had been written by the Earl and Countess to each other, and Prof. Roberts to show the relations that had existed between them. Sir Charles Russell said he could not see any issue requiring the letters to be produced, but he nevertheless consented to their being admitted.

Prof. Roberts's testimony being finished, he resumed his seat and Earl Russell called to take the stand in his own defense.

The Earl testified that he had never heard the slightest objection made to the presence of Prof. Roberts in his house. He (the witness) had objected to his wife going to a certain lady's house, and based his objection on the fact that the lady was a divorcee.

Countess Russell was then put out, and in the quarrel that followed witness said to her: "If you say such things you will soon be sorry you married me." The Countess replied: "So I am sorry."

The Earl declared that he had never insisted that the Countess should dress him. He said he had not insisted that she should dress him, but he had insisted that she should dress him in a certain way.

He positively denied that he had gone to the room of the Countess in search of a pistol. At the time alluded to his pistols were in a warehouse and there was not a single weapon of that description in the house.

With reference to the charge that when the Countess on one occasion asked him after a row for £5 he threw her half a sovereign, the Earl said it was not true. He was about to give her the money she had asked for when she said: "I don't want your dirty money."

It was not true that he made her turn out her pockets and took away from her what money she had. She got £5 in pocket money the same day from him.

The Earl denied the Countess's statement that upon the Countess when he had written a letter to his solicitor complaining about her extravagance he had treated her in a most brutal manner.

He did not then shake her by the shoulders. She wanted to copy the letter, and tried to seize it. She did get the letter, but he caught her by the wrists and took it away from her. She then boxed his ears.

Sir Charles Russell then drew from the Earl his version of the bedroom incident, when the Countess was found nude and in a faint on the floor, as testified to by her and her maid.

The Earl said that after he and his wife had retired he declared that he would not go to Lady Salisbury's owing to the refusal of the Countess to go to Amberley Cottage, the Earl's residence at the time.

The Countess got out of bed and fainted on the floor. When she came to he said: "How are you, darling?"

She replied, "Don't you dare call me darling," and then threw a soap-dish at him and made for him with a poker. She threatened to throw herself out of a window if he remained in the room with her.

The Earl declared that the statements made by the Countess, that he left her and went to Prof. Roberts's room, were absolutely false.

Once, when his wife was hysterical, he had held her wrists to prevent her from tearing her dressing jacket to pieces, and on returning to the Albemarle Hotel from the levee he had rebuked the Countess because she had lunched with a divorcee who very well deserved to be divorced.

The Earl denied the cruelty to cats that had been attributed to him. He had tossed a cat into the air playfully, but had not thrown it against the ceiling until he had almost killed it.

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## CONFERRING ON THE CANVASS.

Democratic and Republican Counsel Meet at Albany.

The State Board, Served with Fresh Orders, Again Adjourns.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)  
ALBANY, Dec. 3.—The following is the result of the counsel of the Democrats to the stipulation which the Republican lawyers asked that they enter into yesterday with reference to the disputed Senatorial districts:

Mr. Matthews, Mr. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 3.—The communication of the counsel of the Democrats to the stipulation which the Republican lawyers asked that they enter into yesterday with reference to the disputed Senatorial districts:

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## SOUNDING THE BELL MYSTERY.

New Evidence Discovered in Eliminating Mickey Sliney.

That Mysterious Note Written on Paper Very Like His Bill Heads.

Cherry Hill turned out in force this morning and attended the inquest on Robert Lyons, who was killed with a cleaver in his butcher shop, at 152 Cherry street, on Nov. 20 last.

But interest in the case was not confined to the Fourth Ward, and when Coroner Messinger resumed the inquiry into this most mysterious and complicated of cases the court room was crowded with all classes of people anxious to get a look at the innocent-looking boy, Michael Sliney, who stands charged with the horrible crime—the slaughter of his best and most intimate friend.

Conspicuous among the crowd of witnesses today was Father John J. Keane, of St. James's Roman Catholic Church, whose name was forged to the note which plays such a prominent part in the affair.

Mrs. Lyons and the widow of the dead man sat just behind Sliney, who stood the jury as calm and unimpaired as it was possible to be.

When the inquest was adjourned last Monday, Frank Hronish, Lyons's errand boy, who has given very damaging testimony against Sliney, was on the stand. He was recalled for cross-examination by Lawyer House this morning.

Mr. House is conspicuous of the boy's story, and questioned him very closely.

Taking up the note which Father Keane declared to be a forgery, Mr. House asked Hronish to write his name and address, and he wrote in a very bad and uneven hand:

"Frank Hronish, 27 Lequer street, Brooklyn." At Mr. House's request, he also copied the contents of the note, which was:

"Plea send by to vestry right way." No similarity in the writings could be traced.

The boy said he was born in this city and had worked for Lyons four months. He had also worked for a man named Love in California.

Sliney, but could not tell when he first went to work nor whether he went to Love's place on Thanksgiving morning, the day after the murder, to get some meat.

Later he said he had a talk with Love, but did not get any meat.

"Did you say to him that Mickey Sliney did not hand that note to Bob Lyons?" asked Mr. House.

"I can't remember."

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The Christmas Time Series	.44
Chit-Chat Series	.17
Swiss Family Robinson Series	.17
Picture Gallery Series	.10
The Nursery Tales	.11
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ARRESTED HIM FOR PERJURY.

Witness Bennett, in the Gallivan Trial, Taken in Custody.

The trial of Michael J. Gallivan, proprietor of the Excelsior Stables in West Fifty-first street, charged with murder in the second degree in killing Stabileman James Cummings last Christmas, was resumed this morning before Recorder Smyth in Part I, General Sessions.

A sensation was created by the arrest in the court-room of a witness for perjury. The man was Thomas Bennett, the hackman whose testimony on behalf of Gallivan was totally denied and repudiated by the latter and other witnesses.

Bennett is a man of about 40 years of age, and was present at the time of the shooting, and saw Cummings and a man named Hurley beat Gallivan with a baseball. Bennett advised the latter to shoot the man.

A warrant was issued for Bennett's arrest, and when he appeared in the court-room and took a front seat in the spectators' box, Capt. Lindsay, of the court squad, asked him to step outside the room.

Bennett, who seemed to be under the influence of liquor, refused, and when the officer undertook to eject him he resisted.

A scuffle ensued between Bennett and several court officers, which brought the proceedings to a halt for a moment.

Bennett was finally overpowered and taken in charge by Detective Trainor, of the District Attorney's office. He will be indicted for perjury.

The District Attorney's office was taken to Chambers Street Hospital, where Surgeon Bennett stated the man was suffering from alcoholism.

Bennett is now a prisoner in the hospital. He was brought in by the court squad, and his condition was such that he was unable to stand.

Warden Brown will not give any idea of the time when he will be released from the hospital. He is now in the hospital, and his condition is such that he is unable to stand.

NEW SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Elected by the Board of Education for Five Years from Jan. 1.

The following-named school trustees have been elected by the Board of Education, each to serve five years, beginning Jan. 1, 1902:

Ward, Capt. 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
1. John McIntire, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
2. Samuel Hammond, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
3. A. J. W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
4. Fred Winger, 40 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
5. John W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
6. Peter Kruger, 157 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
7. John W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
8. Wm. Brandon, 51 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
9. John W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
10. Patrick J. Moore, 27 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
11. John W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
12. John W. Wiley, 25 St. Nicholas, Lawyer  
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Dr. Lewis Haupt was appointed trustee in place of Dr. Haupt, who resigned. He was elected by the Board of Education, and will serve five years, beginning Jan. 1, 1902.

ROASTED IN AN OIL-TANK.

William Dow's Lamp Exploded Gases that Had Generated There.

William Dow, of 648 East Twelfth street, employed in the oil manufactory of A. W. Harris & Co., at 82 Cortlandt street, went into an empty oil-tank at the rear of the store this morning for the purpose of cleaning it.

The tank is an iron one with a capacity of about 50 gallons, and is used for the storage of kerosene. The gases in the tank took fire from the lamp and Dow was terribly burned.

He is taken to Bellevue Hospital and will probably die from his injuries.

Waterbury Lumber Yards Burned.

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 3.—The shops and lumber yards of Tracey Brothers, Joiners and Builders, on Meadow street, were completely destroyed by fire at 1.30 this morning.

The buildings of the Platt Elevator Company and A. S. Sliney's carpenter shop were also burned. The total loss is \$20,000; insurance about \$12,000.

Humors of an Anglo-Chinese Alliance to Cope with Russia.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—The correspondent of the Paris cables from Shanghai that pourparlers have been opened to bring about an alliance between England and China for the purpose of coping with Russia.

The correspondent adds that China is sending troops to the Panir to check the Russian movements in that part of the world. China is claiming that Russia is encroaching on her territory.

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HE BLEW OUT HIS BRAINS.

John T. Staples, the Rich Cracker-Maker, a Suicide.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)  
TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 3.—John T. Staples, the wealthy cracker manufacturer of this town, put a bullet into his head at his home here this morning.

He owned a handsome residence in a fashionable part of the town, which he had just improved.

Mr. Staples had been afflicted with melancholia, and was haunted with the idea that he was getting poor. His doctors advised perfect rest for a while and recommended a voyage to Bermuda. His wife urged him to go, and he consented.

They were preparing for the trip today. Mrs. Staples was packing a valise, when she heard the report of a pistol, and hurried to her husband's side just as he breathed his last.

Mr. Staples's estate is worth about \$150,000.

FIVE DAYS IN OPEN BOATS.

Crew of a Sinking Bark from Savannah Saved by the John.

A cable dispatch received from London today states that the British bark, Cwm Donkin, Capt. Sumner, from Savannah, Oct. 17, for Hamburg, was abandoned at sea, Nov. 11, in a sinking condition. The crew took to the boats and were picked up Nov. 10 by the bark John and landed today at Swansea, Wales.

The Cwm Donkin lost her rudder and sprang a leak in a hurricane. Nov. 10, and pumping was found to be useless.

BUSY BROOKLYN BURGLARS.

Many Small Robberies and Three Captures Reported.

Many burglaries were reported by the Brooklyn police this morning. Several men claiming to live in New York were arrested for the crimes, and the police believe that a gang of burglars went over into their bailiwick from this city.

SAFE IN PORT AT LAST.

Ship Manuel Longone Reaches San Francisco After 171 Days.

It is learned today that the American ship, Manuel Longone, which left this port June 11 for San Francisco and had been given up as lost, reached her destination yesterday, badly damaged. She consumed 171 days in making the passage.

Major Throckmorton's Court-Martial.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—After due consideration of the representations upon which the court-martial of Major Throckmorton, Second Artillery, was suspended, the order of suspension has been revoked and the trial will proceed at New York Dec. 6.

\$20,000 More for Street Cleaning.

The Board of Estimate today gave Street-Cleaning Commissioner Brennan \$